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SUBJ: DRAFTING GROUP MEETING, NO. 96. JULY 13, 1976
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1. ARTICLE II.7/6 (THROW-WEIGHT COMMON UNDERSTANDING) -
KLOSSON PRESSED INQUIRY OF HOW SOVIETS, RELYING ON THROW-
WEIGHT DEFINITION ALONE, WOULD TREAT A FINAL BOOST STAGE
WHICH ACCOMPLISHED TARGETING ON A MISSILE WITH A SINGLE RV.
WOULD THIS STAGE BE CONSIDERED AN "OTHER APPROPRIATE
DEVICE" FOR TARGETING AND THUS COUNT IN THROW-WEIGHT?
IF NOT, WHY NOT? KARPOV EXPLAINED THAT "OTHER APPROPRIATE
DEVICES" SHOULD BE EXAMINED FROM POINT OF VIEW OF SELF-
CONTAINED DISPENSING MECHANISMS/BUSES. TARGETING OF A
SINGLE RV IS THE SAME FUNCTION AS THAT PERFORMED BY A
SELF-CONTAINED DISPENSING MECHANISM IN TARGETING INDE-
PENDENTLY TARGETABLE RV'S. THUS, THERE IS A CORRESPONDENCE
OF FUNCTIONS. IT IS THIS CORRESPONDENCE WHICH DETERMINES
WHETHER SOMETHING IS COUNTED IN THROW-WEIGHT. A FINAL
BOOST STAGE CANNOT COUNT IN THROW-WEIGHT SINCE IT DOES
NOT CORRESPOND TO A SELF-CONTAINED DISPENSING MECHANISM.

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2. KLOSSON INDICATED THAT A FINAL BOOST STAGE ON A SINGLE

RV MISSILE COULD TARGET THE RV, AS WELL AS PERFORM OTHER FUNCTIONS. ACCORDINGLY, IT COULD BE CONSIDERED AN "OTHER APPROPRIATE DEVICE" FOR TARGETING THE SINGLE RV AND THUS COUNT IN THROW-WEIGHT. FOR THAT REASON US WANTED TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN FINAL BOOST STAGE AND "OTHER APPROPRIATE DEVICE".

3. NEXT MEETING, FRIDAY, JULY 16. JOHNSON

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